

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the cited specification paragraphs as follows:

[19] Receptacle member 62 includes the welch plug 40 and a cylindrical member 72 which contains the internal splines 56B extending from an inner peripheral bore 52. The internal splines 56B provide sliding engagement with splined segment 56A (Figure 3) of the male component 32. The female component 34 provides a grease aperture 138 to receive the grease fitting 38. A seal 42 (Figures 2 and 5) prevents debris and the like from entering into the female component 34 as the male component 32 slides relative thereto.

[20] The beveled edge 66-56 on the reconfigurable portion 36 abuts a corresponding outer surface 68 on the yoke 60. Similarly, the beveled edge 67 abuts a stop 70 on the receptacle portion 62. Further, as can be appreciated from Figures 2 and 5, the seal 42 seals against an outer peripheral surface of the stem portion 54 of the male mail-component 32. As can be appreciated from Figures 2 and 5, the seal also abuts the yoke 50+00 at the end of the male mail-component 32.